--- 1/2 Pound - “Series of 1897” - 317 x 20 mm. ---

The catalogue lists the “Series of 1897” recess printed 1/2 pound black strip as follows:

RP-667 - 1/2 pound, black, *coarse roulette*, on vertical mesh wove, 317 x 20 mm. - ***4½ mm. red controls***
RP-668 - 1/2 pound, black, *coarse roulette*, on vertical mesh wove, 317 x 20 mm. - ***4½ mm. violet controls***

The control numbering was a repeating cycle from **000001** to **9999999**. Thus, maintaining a consecutive control listing serves only to provide a measure of the relative scarcity of a particular strip. Without proper records, there is no way to tell how many times ABN repeated the control numbering cycle. Extant unused strips are mainly late date *remnants* which became available when the strips were declared obsolete.

--- 1/2 Pound - “Series of 1897” - 317 x 20 mm. ---

--- R*ecess printed* in BLACK ink - with *dark tablets* - *4½ mm. red controls* - scanned at 50% scale ---

--- RP-667 - *coarse roulette* - on *vertical mesh* wove - 23 mm. imprint “AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. OTTAWA” **---**

--- this strip is crumpled, warped and slightly broken - thus the shortened length ---

RP-667 - 1/2 pound, *coarse roulette*, control **284364**, on *vertical mesh* wove, 312 x 20 mm.
Roller cancelled **TOBACCO / 6 -17**, by “D. Ritchie Tobacco”, Montreal

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RP-667 - 1/2 pound, *coarse roulette*, control **9183580**, on *vertical mesh* wove, 317 x 20 mm.
Roller cancelled **TOBACCO / 6 -17**, by “D. Ritchie Tobacco”, Montreal

RP-667 - 1/2 pound, *coarse roulette*, control **8533458**, on *vertical mesh* wove, 317 x 20 mm.
Stamped **6-17 / TOBACCO / 7 1914**, by “Imperial Tobacco”, Montreal, in July 1914

074146		RP-667	1/2 pound, coarse roulette
284364 ★		RP-667	1/2 pound, coarse roulette, vertical mesh, rollered **TOBACCO / 6 -17**
0588044		RP-667	1/2 pound, coarse roulette - the left 1/3rd portion is missing
791558		RP-667	1/2 pound, coarse roulette
7017920 ★		RP-667	1/2 pound, coarse roulette, horizontal mesh - 320 mm - unreadable violet roller
8533458 ★	07/14	RP-667	1/2 pound, coarse roulette, vertical mesh - 317 mm - **6-17 / TOBACCO / 7 1914**
9183580 ★		RP-667	1/2 pound, coarse roulette, vertical mesh - 317 mm - rollered **TOBACCO / 6 -17**

--- 1/2 Pound - “Series of 1897” - 315 x 20 mm. ---

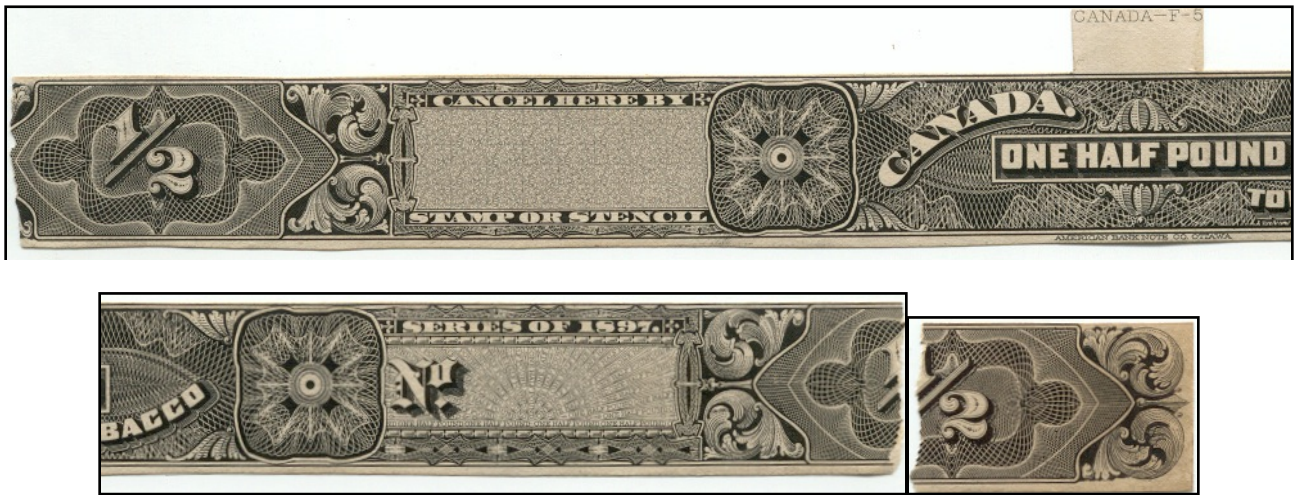
--- R*ecess printed* in BLACK ink - with *dark tablets* - *4½ mm. violet controls* - scanned at 50% scale ---

--- RP-668 - *coarse roulette* - on *vertical mesh* wove - 23 mm. imprint “AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. OTTAWA” **---**

RP-667 - 1/2 pound, *coarse roulette*, control **1697205**, on *vertical mesh* wove
Roller cancelled **TOBACCO / 29 -17**, by “O. La Rue and Company”, Montreal

1697205	RP-668	1/2 pound, coarse roulette, rollered **TOBACCO / 29 -17**

--- RP-667 DP - 1/2 pound black die proof - “CANADA-F-5” ---



RP-667 DP - 1/2 Pound Tobacco, imperforate black die proof “CANADA-F-5” on heavy wove paper
A one-piece die proof optically split in the scanner - broken at the right end, and truncated at the left

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--- From the ABN Archive Sale of 1990 ---

--- **RP-667 PP** - 1/2 pound, black, *imperforate*, plate proofs mounted on thin cardboard - 317 x 20 mm - a pair ---

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--- RP-667n - *coarse roulette* - on *vertical mesh* wove - without controls - 315 x 20 mm. ---

RP-667 TP / CP - 1/2 pound, *coarse roulette*, on *vertical mesh* wove, without control numbering
A top copy from Plate No. 3, stamped **CANCELLED** in 3 mm. Gothic letters

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--- RP-667n - *coarse roulette* - on *vertical mesh* wove - 315 x 20 mm. ---

RP-667n - 1/2 pound, *coarse roulette*, on *vertical mesh* wove, without control numbering
Stamped **Registered** and **CANCELLED** in violet ink

--- RP-667n - *coarse roulette* - on *vertical mesh* wove - 315 x 20 mm. ---

RP-667n - 1/2 pound, *coarse roulette*, on *vertical mesh* wove, without control numbering
Roller cancelled **TOBACCO / A-20** by the tobacco merchant “C. T. Bates & Co.”, Ottawa

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